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Congratulations on your recent appointment to the  
Chairmanship of the US Federal Communications Commission.

We understand that the FCC is about to consider a new proposal  
on the regulation of pricing in relation to "Business Data  
Services" in the US.

We appreciate that considerable analytical work and extensive  
data collection has gone into this proposal. However, we  
understand that part of the proposal involves reducing regulatory  
oversight of pricing. We are concerned that this would reduce  
prospects for effective competition in the market, in particular  
the potential for non-incumbent firms to compete on a level  
playing field.

The British Government strongly supports and promotes open  
and competitive telecoms markets, both in the UK and  
internationally. We hope your decision will take into account our  
shared commitments to ensuring access to such networks on  
non-discriminatory terms and that the FCC will continue to  
monitor and ensure competition in the market.

Sincerely,

**Kim Darroch**

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